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Advisory Action

This office action is in response to Applicant's proposed amendment and response after FINAL filed on May 22, 2008.

Applicant's proposed amended claims, replacing "bacteriopurpurin-18" with a structure which is different from the art-recognized structure of bacteriopurpurin-18, present a new issue for search and consideration by the Examiner since the scope of the claims has been changed and would thus require a new search and new rejections.

All rejections of record in the Final Office Action dated February 22, 2008 are maintained in view of the proposed amendment After Final not entered.

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